



GIVE CHANCES

Annual Report 2019



Message From Give Chances

A Year of Growth

2019 was a big year for Give Chances. We were able to establish and further develop the programs we promised our benefactors and beneficiaries. All facets of our programs expanded in both quantity and quality. The Joyful Learning Children's program provided educational programs that will have lasting impact to learners, while our youth program and disabilities program launched new initiatives such as the TRAMPOLINE Project and the DDartists Project.

Without the supporters, the volunteers, the donors, partners, the participants, board members, and the staff that worked so hard to make this happen, we would not have been able to make such an impactful year. Thank you to all those that walked with us in 2019. We look forward to walking with you in 2020.

Warm regards,

Give Chances



ABOUT GIVE CHANCES

Give Chances is a non-profit organization founded and registered in the State of New Jersey. It is recognized as a 501(C)(3) public charity by the IRS.

Give Chances envisions to create a space to:



Learn & Grow

Providing opportunities to learn and grow for children, youth, and people with disabilities who do not have access to quality education and or/ timely care due to limited resources



Serve & Share

Creating a culture of serving and sharing within the local community. We envision creating a space where both beneficiaries and benefactors can grow together



Communicate & Collaborate

Advocating communication and collaboration beyond cultural and social barriers, between people and organizations, and above any differences.

2019 Achievements

JOYFUL LEARNING CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

New Site open at Hackensack!

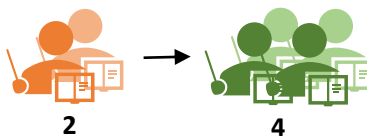


Events Operated



3 music concerts

Number of Lead Teachers doubled



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4



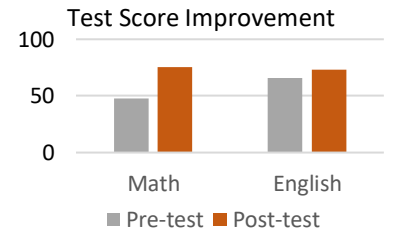
3 art workshops



1 community Slime workshop



2 Fieldtrips

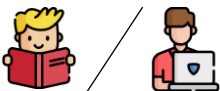


NEW PROJECTS LAUNCHED

Youth Summer Bootcamp



Youth program separated from children's program



Trampoline Project
Youth career development vision camp



Participant satisfaction rate: 10/10

DDartists Project: Jobs for artists with developmental disabilities



PUBLICATIONS



- Annual Report
- Summer Newsletter
- Winter Newsletter
- Brochures
- Pledge cards
- Booklets
- Posters

Joyful Learning Children's Program

An average of 20 students attended the program daily during 2019 with over 21 volunteers supporting the students throughout the week. While ensuring the quality of homework assistance alongside math and English enrichment, the program expanded in extracurricular activities as well.

Children were able to access music and art education from professional artists and music teachers. With their music education, all the students performed at a nursing home in New Jersey, and in front of their parents through Summer Concert. Through field trips to the Bronx Zoo and the American Museum of Natural History that were integrated to Project-Based Learning Curricular, the children were able to expand in scientific knowledge while having a fun time at a museum and zoo. Such experiences are imperative to the children's learning experiences. It was the first time visiting these cultural venues for most children.

The Joyful Learning Children's program is not only about academic performance. It is about the holistic growth of each child. This means we value fostering emotional intelligence, discovering aptitudes, and building confidence as measures of growth. Above all, we teach children to enjoy learning. Therefore, all curricula have developed and expanded to include these elements in 2019.



Summer School

- Project-Based Learning and field trip to American Museum of Natural History, NY
- Project-Based Learning and field trip to the Bronx Zoo
- Community Slime Workshop



Spring Semester

- Music education with Ms. Wendy, a professional music teacher
- Volunteer tutor training
- First Visual Art Workshop with professional visual art teachers
- Summer Concert



Fall Semester

- Hackensack Learning Center location open
- Children's Choir performance at Buckingham Care and Rehabilitation Center
- Two Art Workshops with professional artists and art teachers
- Christmas Concert and Volunteer Appreciation

Features of Joyful Learning in 2019



Volunteer Training

Start of Spring Semester



Music Education

Start of Summer Semester



Natural History Museum



Art workshop



Bronx Zoo



Project-based Learning



Summer Concert



Slime Workshop

Start of Fall Semester



Hackensack Center



Senior Center



Art workshop 2



Art workshop 3



Christmas Concert

Youth Development

Volunteer Training as Youth Leadership Development

Youth Leadership development process:



Volunteer orientation



Monthly volunteer training



Tutoring



Supporter

We believe in the potential of the youth volunteers to become great leaders and role models for local children. With that belief, in 2019, Give Chances started providing monthly volunteer tutor training sessions for youth volunteers. During the sessions, volunteers develop social awareness as well as leadership skills by learning to understand the children and learn how to lead the children properly, engaging with each one of them to study and learn. Tutor training is also beneficial to the children as it prepares the volunteers to better assist the students as they grow themselves.

Our volunteers are very dedicated and passionate. The training sessions have further ignited their passion and as a result, they have shown better commitment, improved teaching skills and developed bonds with staff and students. At the end of the year consequently eight volunteers had received the President's Volunteer Service Award as the result of their dedication and passion.

Result: Exemplary Cases

Sena's Community Slime Workshop: Talent Sharing Event

Rachelle and Deborah's Fundraisers to Support the Children of Give Chances





Trampoline Project

The Trampoline Project supports the youth of South Korea to find new opportunities to be able to maintain their dreams and restore hope despite of the difficulties they face. The Trampoline project aims to strengthen and encourage Korean youth to be healed and to develop new dreams by gaining new perspectives, and making meaningful conversations during a vision trip.

Main Program

Cultural Exploration

- Visiting the center of world politics, economy, culture; New York and surrounding areas

Visiting Mentors

- Interacting with Korean Mentors in diverse career backgrounds

Research

- Conducting street interviews with New Yorkers about their careers.

Self-Development

- Revisiting their dreams and aptitudes, and exploring explicit career paths

Testimonials

There was a time where I was really wandering. Whenever I couldn't find my way I felt like I had failed. However through this opportunity I learned that wandering didn't necessarily mean that I had failed. When I saw all the mentors working hard despite tough situations they were in, I learned that wandering with a purpose could be a good thing. So I have decided to enjoy direction. – **Participant A**

Now, I have a wider view of my career. While working with the mentors, I have seen how they are satisfied with their lives even if they all have different jobs. I will think more about my career and meanwhile, I will study harder to achieve my current goal. Thank you for giving me such a precious opportunity. – **Participant B**

As I participated in this project, I was able to share my life values with incredibly wonderful people and reflected on my life. I believe this experience will help me design my career in the future. Thanks to all the mentors and people who helped with the project. – **Participant C**

Disability Support

Give Chances launched a new project to provide people with developmental disabilities the opportunity for employment and talent development. In collaboration with the STRIVE program within Ridgefield High School, we were able to provide job training internships (12 students) with DuoGreen, an organic food distributing company.

In 2019, the program expanded to launch the DDartist project, where artwork created by these artists were used to create products such as planners, calendars, and cards that were sold at Amazon.com and local areas. These products are sold to monetarily compensate the DDartists and support the educational programs of Give Chances.

In addition to the DDartist program, we launched a job training program for individuals with developmental disabilities. As we found individuals with artistic talents, the job training program started to provide job skill training and talent development sessions for participants that were interested in art.

Currently, we are working towards expanding participant size, looking to collaborate with a network of organizations such as New Beginning, Bethany U.M. Church, and business factors.



DDartists (Jobs for artists with developmental disabilities)

To inform the community about the launch of DDartists (Jobs for artists with developmental disabilities) program, Give Chances held a “Love & Sharing Concert” at Bethany Church in Fort Lee. There were approximately 250 attendees who, through this concert, were able to better understand people with developmental disabilities. DDartists’ drawings that was produced during the job training through Give Chances have been included in diaries, Christmas cards, and table calendars.

These products were available for sale at this event and many took interest in them. One supporter stated, “I was so surprised to see that people with developmental disabilities were so talented. I want to cheer on Give Chances for giving these talented folks the opportunity to find jobs”. Another supporter said that through this event, “(I) hope that Give Chances succeeds in helping the community better understand the developmentally disabled and therefore opens up more possibilities and opportunities for them to find jobs”.



Financial Report

Statement of Functional Revenues and Expenses

Revenue		2019	2018
Contributions			
Government Grants		\$8,000	\$5,500
Other Public Support		\$243,253	\$161,748
Total		\$255,339	\$167,248
Other Revenue			
Investment Income		\$4,086	\$1,750
Total		\$4,086	\$1,750
Total Revenue		\$255,339	\$168,998
Expenses		2019	2018
Programs		\$233,458	\$299,916
Admin & Management		\$36,800	\$20,358
Total Expenses		\$270,258	\$320,274



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